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GAZA--LATEST NEWS

- I. We have received conflicting reports on Egyptian moves toward restoration of their administration of the Gaza Strip.
- A. On 13 Mar., Gov't-controlled Egyptian newspaper stated that Gen Latif, Governor-designate of Gaza, was scheduled to reach Gaza today, with a small staff.
- B. However, a US press report from Cairo yesterday (attributed to UN sources there) claimed that Egypt had given assurances there would be no move into Gaza until everything was "cleaned up diplomatically" and the entry would not create a new crisis.
- C. UN officials, meanwhile, state that Egypt has not given any indication when Latif and other Egyptian administrators will head for Gaza.
- II. Press reports also state that Bunche and Gen Burns (who returned to Cairo from Gaza yesterday for conferences) will both go to Gaza today.
- 25X1X A. [REDACTED] (who visited Gaza yesterday) reports that, on the night of 12 Mar, UNEF troops surprised and captured three fedayeen, armed and equipped with dynamite, as they were heading out of Gaza toward the Israeli frontier.

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